

California Environmental Education Interagency Network (CEEIN)

Meeting Minutes

Friday, September 20, 2002

Attendees:

Carolyn Tucker – Dept of Water Resources
Karen Kawanami – The Walt Disney Company
Lisa Kunz – Dept of Toxic Substances Control
Sylvia Gude – Dept of Fish and Game
Phaedra Bota – Dept of Boating and Waterways
Donna Pozzi – California State Parks
Michael Kashuba – Air Resources Board
Bill Andrews – Dept of Education
Tracie Walker - California Conservation Corps
Tom Mays – Water Resources Control Board
Kay Antunez – Dept of Forestry & Fire Protection
Susan Knadle – Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment
Don Peri – Integrated Waste Management Board
Tricia Broddrick – Integrated Waste Management Board
Kathleen Strickley – Dept of Conservation
Jamie Cameron-Harley – Dept of Water Resources

Introductions: What's New in Your World?

Carolyn Tucker, Department of Water Resources – Splash Event to happen on Friday, September 27th and will highlight “Project WET”: Six different stations with water activities at each. Collaborating with Tom Mays on watershed proposal.

Karen Kawanami, The Disney Company – WOW event happening on September 28th in Griffith Park. The WOW program (Wonderful Outdoor World) was a venue at the Health & Fitness Splash at the White House. President Bush was impressed with the program and talked with kids who participated in the ESPN outdoor games.

Lisa Kunz, Dept of Toxic Substances Control - We have resumed work on DTSC's Hazard House Computer game and are seeking input from CEEIN members on what age group is best to target. Will 1st or 2nd graders understand what we are presenting? Is 4th-6th too broad of a range? Maybe we can adapt the game to specific grade levels. Any advice is welcome. Contact either Lisa or Vanessa.

Sylvia Gude, Dept of Fish and Game – The Department of Fish and Game will broaden its support for the CREEC Network by contributing funds for a three-year period. On September 19 in San Diego, the Project WILD Coordinators presented the first workshop to introduce the high school curriculum *Science & Civics: Sustaining Wildlife*. The second workshop will be held at Upper Newport Bay on September 24. The Draft California Project WILD Aquatic Early Childhood Education Supplement will be distributed to teachers during workshops in the coming weeks. The teachers will pilot this material and provide feedback to the WILD Aquatic Coordinator for the final version of the supplement.

Phaedra Bota, Dept of Boating and Waterways – Announced annual poster contest on boating and aquatic safety.

Donna Pozzi, California State Parks – Made presentation at National Associations State Parks Directors' Annual Conference highlighting use of video conferencing technology to take state park school programs into the classroom. Attending meeting with National Park Foundation in Washington DC to help develop their 5-year plan, which includes education. Launching student-to-student project linking 2 schools (Lagunitas and Baldwin Hills) where kids will use nearby state parks as focus of studies, sharing results with the students at the other school.

Michael Kashuba, Air Resources Board – Announced early October release of “Who Let The Smog Out?” at Science and Discovery Theater. Program is 40 minutes in length and is designed for grades 3-5. It will be shown during CSTA conference in San Francisco on Friday, October 25th.

Bill Andrews, Dept of Education – Working with Trish on World Ocean Conference in Santa Barbara being hosted by Mary and Winston. Announced CREEC Conference at Lake Arrowhead during the 3rd week of October. Working with Donna Pozzi on Sate Plan Initiatives (pg.32).

Tracie Walker, California Conservation Corps – Used oil recycling program ran from January – March 2002 and gave presentations to 53 schools reaching 3,426 students. Community outreach events reached 38,201 and 430 storm drains were stenciled with warnings. 1,503 students completed the CCC's Conservation Awareness Program during the 2001/2002 fiscal year. The CCC's John Muir Charter School will be utilizing adopt-a-watershed curriculum this school year.

Kay Antunez, Dept of Forestry and Fire Protection – Organizing many “Burning Issues”/Project Learning Tree workshops; at least one in each CREEC region. Arbor Day poster contest will focus on Oaks (using this theme to spread information about Sudden Oak Death). Continuing to manage the EETAP grant.

Susan Knadle, Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment – Creating 5 child-specific RFD's (safe exposure concentration for a non-carcinogenic chemical) for chemicals found at schools. The report containing these child-specific RFD's is undergoing internal peer review and will go to University of California professors for external peer review, and will take public comment from workshops and website.

Don Peri, Integrated Waste Management Board – Reminder from Tavia Pagan to bookmark new location of CEEIN on the Cal-EPA web site. Asked each member to link to new CEEIN site.

Tricia Broddrick, Integrated Waste Management Board – SB 373 update: Implementation plan approved by the Integrated Waste Management Board at 9/17 meeting.

Kathleen Strickly, Department of Conservation – Been on the road for 3 weeks in Fresno, Madera and Yuba/Sutter counties doing Recycle Rex School Assembly Program.

Jamie Cameron-Harley, Dept of Water Resources – Reminded CEEIN members of their responsibility to send information for developing CEEIN matrix being used at October 23rd meeting.

Approval of Minutes

The August 2002 minutes were approved.

Discussion Items

Preparations for October 23rd meeting.
Jiminy Cricket's Environmental Challenge.

Information Items

The CCC will host final CEEIN meeting of the year on November 15 at their offices. Information is available through Tracie Walker (341-3165) twalker@ccc.ca.gov

Next Meeting

October 18th at Cal-EPA in Room #1310 from 8-10am and will be showcasing the presentation for the October 23rd meeting being held 10-11am in Training Rooms East and West on the 1st floor at Cal-EPA.